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Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Patent Application for METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR EFFECTUATING GAINSHARE COLLABORATION BETWEEN BUYERS, SELLERS AND THIRD PARTY SUPPLIERS IN SUPPLY COMMUNITIES

Sir:

Enclosed for filing is a patent application of Charles F. Irwin which includes:

- 1. Specification and Abstract;
- 2. Forty seven claims (2 independent and 45 dependent);
- 3. Two (2) sheets of informal drawings;
- 4. Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- 5. Check in the amount of \$773 (filing fee); and
- 6. Self-addressed and postage applied postcard.

Applicant respectfully requests that this application for individual inventors (Small Entity) be assigned a serial number and a filing date and that the enclosed postcard be stamped and returned.

Respectfully submitted,

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